SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 952

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Katherine R. Bivens, 2010 Salutatorian of South Fulton High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Katherine R. Bivens is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2010 graduating class at South Fulton High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Bivens has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Katie Bivens has earned an exemplary grade point average of 3.98 while participating in several extracurricular and civic activities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bivens is an active and devoted member of Pilot Oak Baptist Church, where she has faithfully served her Lord for many years; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her singular achievements in academics and athletics, Ms. Bivens has received numerous awards and honors, including the Woodman of the World's Outstanding Proficiency in American History Award and the Top Ten, South Fulton and Fulton Youth Leadership, Challenge Program, Tennessee Scholars, Best Softball Outfielder, Best Softball On Base Percentage, Best Softball Batting Average, Best Softball Offense, Most Valuable Softball Player, All-District Softball, All-Region Softball awards and honors, and All-Tournament Softball; and

WHEREAS, Katie Bivens's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her mother, Margaret Smithson; her grandparents, Donna Bivens, Lee Neal, and Roland Bell; her school; and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bivens's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2010 South Fulton High School Salutatorian, Katherine R. Bivens, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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